

## TO CONTEST WITH LOBBIES.

The Hard Task Which Confronts the Kansas Granger Legislature.

## LARGE CORRUPTION FUNDS IN SIGHT.

The School Book Trust, the County Officers and the Railroads Have Lots of Money to Spend on Legislators.

TOPEKA, Kan., Jan. 10.—[Special to The Bee.]—The legislature which convenes in this city Tuesday next will have to deal with the most determined lobbies which ever confronted a granger legislature. There will be promises for money and the people for others. The combination will furnish a test of the integrity of the reformers, which will either result in giving them a greater strength or destroy them altogether. This is not the first granger legislature which the state has seen, but it is the first in which a majority of the members have declared that the old parties are hopelessly corrupt and that the welfare of the state demands a new government in which neither must have a voice.

In the lower house seventy of the 125 members are small farmers, whose households for the most part are heavily encumbered with mortgages. They will come to Topeka determined to legislate against corporations of all kinds and strike a death blow to trusts. It has been the history of such legislatures in the past that once they have been elected, they have been in the hands of the lobbyists. There will be large corruption funds for distribution, two of which are already apparent. The alliance has attempted to anticipate any effort which may be made by the lobbyists to gain control of the legislature, and in so doing has organized a fourth lobby, which will be more dangerous than all the rest. Prominent alliance men from every county in the state will be sent to Topeka to lobby for the legislators, and it is through these alliance representatives that the lobbyists will hope to operate.

The big publishing houses have pooled to prevent the establishment of a state school book publishing house. The report of the revision committee appointed at the last session of the legislature, which recommended the free distribution of school books, leaving the manner of their purchase to be determined by the legislature, is known as the "free book" bill. The publishing concerns have approached prominent school teachers, whom they thought might be able to win the legislature over, and as the free distribution of books from a state publishing house would mean the loss of thousands of dollars annually, it is certain that the money will be forthcoming.

The county officers-elect, whose salaries have all been recommended to be reduced to starvation wages by the revision committee, have organized to defeat the bill which has been drafted. County officers in this state have heretofore been the most lucrative of any state in the union, and both money and promises of appointment will be used to defeat the revision committee's bill. The revision committee has also recommended that the salaries of the county officers be reduced to the same as those of the township officers, and that the township officers be reduced to the same as those of the village officers.

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It is a significant fact that the citizens' alliance will hold its state convention in this city Tuesday, when steps will be taken for forming a national citizens' alliance. The citizens' alliance is a political organization formed in cities and towns in Kansas for the purpose of opposing the interests of the railroads and the sugar companies. It is a political organization formed in cities and towns in Kansas for the purpose of opposing the interests of the railroads and the sugar companies.

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## THE BAR ASSOCIATION.

## It Elects Officers and Discusses Proposed Legislation.

The annual meeting of the Douglas County Bar Association was held in the criminal court room at the courthouse yesterday afternoon. At J. Poppleton presided.

The reading of the minutes of the previous meeting was dispensed with and the association proceeded to elect officers for the ensuing year. Mr. Poppleton announced to his friends that he would not accept the presidency again under any circumstances, and stated that he did not want any person to vote for him. The name of J. M. Woodworth was then presented and that gentleman was the unanimous choice of the association.

After thanking the association for the honor conferred upon him, Mr. Woodworth proceeded to propose the absent members. Although there are nearly 300 members in the association, less than fifty were present.

Judge McCullough moved that the present secretary be re-elected, but that gentleman declined the honor and Sir Samuel promptly nominated Mr. McCullough to fill his place. The selection was made unanimous.

I. N. Congdon was the unanimous choice for treasurer. The new board of executive council consists of W. D. McHugh, W. S. Curtis, Frank Irwin, Lee Estlin and J. H. McIntosh.

The report of the committee on legislation was then read. Judge Bartholomew wanted the bills read. County Attorney Mahoney read the association would not attempt to do too much. If they did, nothing at all would be accomplished.

The bill requiring that justices of the peace and constables of cities of the metropolitan class should be made salaried officers was read, but upon motion was laid over for a future meeting, it being the general belief of

those present that this minor matter should be set aside until things of more importance were disposed of.

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## THE LOST MILITIA CAPTAIN.

His Disappearance Creates Excitement at Hay Springs.

## AN INJUSTICE TO THE GUARDS.

Nobody was Quaking With Fear—The Boys in All the Camps are Bearing Themselves Like Veterans.

HAY SPRINGS, Neb., Jan. 10.—[Special Telegram to The Bee.]—Everybody here is excited over the disappearance of Captain Kilnham. Did he perish in the storm or did he meet the fate of Lieutenant Casey is the question that confronts the people of Hay Springs. The captain left here as stated, to join his company on the Beaver, but no has not been heard from. The couriers and others searched all day for him.

A courier reports Company F still in camp on the Beaver, but the Sutton boys in camp at the same place were ordered at dark last night, to make a forced march to Rushville, a distance of eighteen miles. It will be a hard march as the snow is deep. The cold weather adds to the cloud which has shrouded us for some time.

Three sick women are in the churches, two of them very low, having been moved within a few hours after confinement. One man is being cared for in an infirmary shed.

A reliable farmer living north of here in last night and reported to have seen a small squad of Indians on Pine Creek, twenty miles from here. The people of that valley are badly scared. Where the Indians are, or where they are going could not be learned.

Hay Springs is the most exposed of any of the towns along the line. The soldiers to guard a strip of country thirty miles long. Hay Springs is situated in the center of the gap and 2,000 bloodthirsty Indians are only thirty miles away. The boys look for the beginning of next week to bring something new.

Camp Life at Gordon. GORDON, Neb., Jan. 10.—[Special Telegram to The Bee.]—Sergeant Zimer, Lieutenant John Patterson and Jack Newman, the noted Indian scout, have returned from Pine Ridge agency. They say they did not see an Indian in all their two days' ride, but would not make the trip again for any money.

Mart Darrah, wife and children have arrived from near the reservation, where they had been holding out. When they were struck here they had not enough to feed them over night. A young man named Wilson from Company H happened along and recognized them as people from near his home. He asked them where they were going and what they were going to do. Darrah said if they could only get to his wife's folks they would be all right for the winter. Wilson inquired the amount of money they had and was \$5. Wilson then gave them the money and they left for Tekamah last night. It was believed that they would see the mother and father and those of the children dead with joy and three young children were given Wilson.

Becky, an ex-union soldier with only one arm, has command of the home guard, and he has sixty men, determined looking men placed as patrol guard out ten miles from here. He has a fine collection of arms, a mother's face and those of the children dead with joy and three young children were given Wilson.

Nine out of ten of the boys have very severe colds. None are reported sick.

An Injustice to the Guards. RESERVEVILLE, Neb., Jan. 10.—[Special Telegram to The Bee.]—Both officers and men of the militia feel that the World-Herald correspondent has done the national guards an injustice in his untrue and would-be factious report of their so-called fight upon the return of a detachment of cavalry to town the other day. Very few of the militia were disturbed by the event, and those so far from quaking with fear, actually sought to fight the supposed enemy that was approaching.

They say they do not object to having their names mentioned in connection with the fight, but they do not want to be called militia. They referred to the militia as the militia when they were in the field, but when they were in the field, they were called militia.

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Another Company Ready. TAYLOR, Neb., Jan. 10.—[Special Telegram to The Bee.]—Herman Windel of this city, acting under orders of the governor, has enlisted a squad of volunteers for the protection of Nebraska property, who have been called to the militia when they were in the field, but when they were in the field, they were called militia.

Estimates on the Production of These Cereals the Past Year. WASHINGTON, Jan. 10.—The estimates of the production of corn, wheat and oats for 1890, compiled by the statistian of the department of agriculture, make corn aggregate 1,800,000 bushels, wheat 1,800,000 bushels, and oats 52,621,000 bushels.

The corn was slightly increased in plantings, was reduced by utter failure and abandonment by more than 6,000,000 acres, the area harvested being 71,750,763 acres. The average yield per acre was 25.7 bushels and the supply for consumption per head of population 25 bushels, or 11 bushels less than last year.

The aggregate wheat area is 36,087,154 acres, nearly the same as in 1879, and the yield per acre was 19.3 bushels. This is only 4 per cent of the yield of the year 1887, when the yield was 26.6 bushels, and the smallest rate of yield ever reported by the office.

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Bishop Fallows of the Reformed Episcopal church has been obliged to temporarily relinquish his pulpit and retire to a private sanitarium.

## FATAL FALL OF A ROOF.

ROME, Jan. 10.—Two officers were killed, six were seriously wounded and ten others slightly injured by the falling of the roof of the military riding school at Regio, the capital of Reggio nell' Emilia.

Spain's Columbian Celebration. MADRID, Jan. 10.—A royal decree issued today provides for the appointment of a committee to organize a celebration of the quadricentennial of the discovery of America. It is provided by the decree that Portugal and the United States be invited to be present by committee. A further celebration will be held at Havana to commemorate the departure of Columbus for the new world.

## Honduras Ratifies the Bonds.

[Copyright 1891 by James Gordon Bennett.] LONDON, Jan. 10.—[New York Herald Cable Special to The Bee.]—The consul from Honduras today received a dispatch to the effect that the senate for the ratification of the present bonds has been ratified by President Bogran. The surplus of \$1,000,000 is to be devoted to the completion of the railroad from the Atlantic to the Pacific. The government guarantees one-third of the whole scheme and the railroad contractors one-third.

Nebraska and Iowa Pensioners. WASHINGTON, Jan. 10.—[Special Telegram to The Bee.]—Pensioners were granted to the following Nebraskans: Original invalid—John W. King, Newport, Increase House, Omaha; John W. King, Newport, Increase House, Omaha; John W. King, Newport, Increase House, Omaha.

Idaho Citizens Want Arms. PORTLAND, Ore., Jan. 10.—A letter received from the postmaster and business men of Idaho, asks that the primary election on the Idaho reservation be advanced and trouble is feared in Custer and Lemhi counties. There are about seven hundred Indians on that reservation, well armed. The citizens of Idaho ask that guns and ammunition be shipped them.

From Turtle Mountain Agency. WASHINGTON, Jan. 10.—The Indian bureau has a dispatch from Agent Vaughn, at Devils Lake, stating that there is no danger of trouble at the Turtle Mountain agency. A communication was also received from Agent Palmer, at the Cheyenne River agency, highly commending the Indian police and the agency farmers for service rendered among the disaffected Indians.

A Local Company. NORFOLK, Neb., Jan. 10.—[Special Telegram to The Bee.]—The settlers in this vicinity are very much alarmed over the Indian trouble, and have telegraphed the governor for troops to be stationed at this point. Norfolk is the most exposed place on the southeastern border. A company of fifty has been organized. We are of the opinion that the troops stationed at Long Pine (fifty miles southeast of here) would be of more use and less ornamental if placed somewhere within a thousand miles of the seat of war.

Conference with Idaho Indians. POCAHONTE, Idaho, Jan. 10.—Adjutant General Curtis of Idaho and Lieutenant Wheeler of the Fourth United States cavalry held a long consultation today with the chiefs of the Snake and Shoshone tribes at Fort Hall reservation. The chiefs declared that they had no idea of causing trouble, but on the contrary wanted work for themselves and would keep the peace. The conference ended with much mutual respect and expressions of good will on both sides.

Miles is Pleased. LINCOLN, Neb., Jan. 10.—[Special Telegram to The Bee.]—The following telegram was received this evening by ex-Governor Thayer from Buffalo Bill:

PINE RIDGE, S. D. (via Rushville, Neb.), Jan. 10, 1891.—Governor John M. Thayer: Kicking Bear and Short Bull with hostiles are on the way to the agency. They are expected to surrender tomorrow. General Miles was pleased with the promptness of the Nebraska troops and says they have done much to quiet the fears of the settlers.

W. F. COPY. Homes Are Deserted. RESERVEVILLE, Neb., Jan. 10.—[Special Telegram to The Bee.]—The settlers here have every confidence in the troops in the field and in the commanders. The people here understood, from very good authority, that the government is determined to disarm the Indians, and believing this, they can predict no other possibility than a desperate fight to extermination. They believe there is no conspiracy among the Indians to go on the warpath which was ripening when Sitting Bull was shot. His death forced the fight in advance. Big Foot endeavored to carry out the wild old Indian's plans, but he could only control his own followers.

It is believed that while a few of the Indians did not want war, all will resist endeavor to make them give up their arms. Settlers have sacrificed the work of years to take their families to places of safety. The men which went out last night and on coach, in which there were thirty mothers with babes in their arms, besides other children, were not armed, and all were unarmed. The bad characters, who are plentiful, and those who have left their ranches will find little at home when they return.

The Danger Line Completely Guarded. RESERVEVILLE, Neb., Jan. 10.—[Special Telegram to The Bee.]—The last detachments of militia moved out today, as indicated in yesterday's dispatch. The danger line is now completely guarded and protection to settlers assured. The militia are well equipped and have all returned to their homes to pursue their peaceful avocations, and for the first time in several weeks affairs have assumed their customary tenor. Reports today from the several commands give assurance that the guards are comfortably situated and contented. They are provided with ten days' rations, and the government is providing supplies. The seven men confined in the hospital are doing well, and Brigade Surgeon Walden asks The Bee to assure the friends of the guards that the sick are receiving every attention and convenience that they would if at home. From unofficial sources it is learned that General Miles says the militia will be settled within the next three days, either by a full surrender of the hostiles or the bloodiest battle of Indian history since the changes in force of a peaceful settlement. In the event of further war, the militia will be sent to the front. There is no question that the boys are ready for any emergency.

Legislation in India. CALCUTTA, Jan. 10.—The government has introduced in the legislative council the bill so long talked of, raising the minimum age of a girl's consent from ten to twelve years. Sir Chunder Mitter, Bengalee member, strongly opposed the change, contending that the Hindu scriptures authorized a marriage to be consummated before twelve years of age. He claimed that the bill violated the government's pledge to respect the customs of the people and that it would arouse popular opposition.

Port Allegations of Wife's Affection. PORT DOVER, N. J., Jan. 10.—[Special Telegram to The Bee.]—Fred Wolfe, a farmer living near Barnum, today initiated suit for \$5,000 against C. L. Bolton, a wealthy hardware merchant of that place, for alienating the affections of Wolfe's wife. Mr. Wolfe's suspicions were aroused by the amount of hardware which his wife purchased from Bolton, for which a bill was never presented.

The Report Unfounded. OTTAWA, Jan. 10.—The commander of the northeastern mounted police states that the reports of an Indian outbreak near Deloraine, Manitoba, are unfounded.

Duke of Leuchtenberg's Funeral. PARIS, Jan. 10.—The funeral of the duke of Leuchtenberg took place today with much pomp at the Russian church. The cortege

## THE HOSTILES STILL OUT.

ports of bloodshed, and those at Cheyenne and Standing Rock are much excited. The fear that small bands will attack the settlers.

## No Trouble at Standing Rock.

WASHINGTON, Jan. 10.—The Indian bureau has received a telegram from Agent McLaughlin at Standing Rock, denying the rumors of trouble at that agency.

## More Troops Ready to Move.

VANCOUVER BARRELS, Wash., Jan. 10.—Six companies of United States troops have been ordered to hold themselves in readiness to move to the scene of the Indian troubles in the morning. The order was presumably given owing to the reported trouble in Idaho.

Guns for Settlers. HIROKS, S. D., Jan. 10.—[Special Telegram to The Bee.]—Three thousand rounds of cartridges and 20 stands of arms passed through here this afternoon, addressed to Governor Melette at Pierre. The guns were sent by the military, long range and 30-caliber. They are for the use of settlers in the vicinity of Pierre.

Recruiting an Artillery Company. KEARNEY, Neb., Jan. 10.—[Special Telegram to The Bee.]—Men are to be recruited here for the artillery service. Lieutenant Eugene Wilson of Battery E, First regiment, and Corporal Grubb and Private Enevoldsen of Battery F, Fourth regiment, arrived today and will remain here for a week picking up those anxious to serve U. S. Arm.

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